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Minister	Hon Chris Penk	Portfolio	Space
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List of documents that have been proactively released

Date	Title	Author
8 April 2026	Outer Space and High-altitude Activities (Licences Permits and Authorisations) Amendment Regulations 2026	Office for the Minister for Space
30 April 2026	Outer Space and High-altitude Activities (Licences Permits and Authorisations) Amendment Regulations 2026 LEG-26-MIN-0068 Minute	Cabinet Office
8 April 2026	Briefing: Cabinet Paper – Introduction of ground-based space infrastructure regulations	MBIE

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Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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On 30 April 2026, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that on 18 February 2026, the Cabinet Economic Policy Committee agreed to set application information requirements in regulations for the ground-based space infrastructure (GBSI) regulatory regime [ECO-26-MIN-0013];
- 2 **noted** that the Amendment to Outer Space and High-altitude Activities (Licences, Permits, and Authorisations) Amendment Regulations 2026 will give effect to the decision referred to in paragraph 1 above by prescribing the information required for an application for a GBSI activity authorisation;
- 3 **noted** that the Outer Space and High-altitude Activities (Licences, Permits, and Authorisations) Amendment Regulations 2026 will come into force on 29 July 2026;
- 4 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Outer Space and High-altitude Activities (Licences, Permits and Authorisations) Amendment Regulations 2026 [PCO28813/7.0].

Sam Moffett
Committee Secretary

Present:

Rt Hon Winston Peters
Hon Chris Bishop
Hon Paul Goldsmith
Hon Louise Upston (Chair)
Hon Simon Watts
Hon Chris Penk
Hon Brooke van Velden
Hon Nicole McKee
Hon Shane Jones
Hon Casey Costello
Hon Scott Simpson
Hon Nicola Grigg
Hon James Meager
Hon Cameron Brewer
Hon Mike Butterick
Hon Andrew Hoggard
Stuart Smith MP
Todd Stephenson MP
Jamie Arbuckle MP

Officials present from:

Officials Committee for LEG

